
AGENCY OVERVIEW**316 Indian Affairs Commission**

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Statutory Authority

North Dakota Century Code Sections 54-36-03 to 54-36-09.

Agency Description

The North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission is the liaison between the executive branch and the tribal nations of North Dakota. Duties include coordination and mediation service with tribal nations and the state and its agencies regarding interagency communication, protocol, and jurisdictional issues. Additionally, the agency works with tribal governments, their people and communities to enhance capacity in working with the state.

The agency also is responsible for the maintenance and publication of several documents, including but not limited to the, Statewide Directory of American Indian Resources, and historical and contemporary information and research about North Dakota's American Indian citizens. These materials are available in print and for download on the website.

Agency Mission Statement

The Indian affairs commission shall have the power to assist and to mobilize the support of state and federal agencies in assisting Indian individuals and groups in North Dakota, especially the five tribal councils, as they seek to develop their own goals, project plans for achieving those goals, and implement those plans. The commission's duties are:

- To investigate any phase of Indian affairs and to assemble and make available the facts needed by tribal, state, and federal agencies to work effectively together.
- To assist tribal, state, and federal agencies in developing programs whereby Indian citizens may achieve more adequate standards of living.
- To assist tribal groups in developing increasingly effective institutions of self-government.
- To work for greater understanding and improved relationships between Indians and non-Indians.
- To seek increased participation by Indian citizens in local and state affairs.
- To confer with and coordinate officials and agencies of other governmental units and congressional committees with regard to Indian needs and goals.
- To encourage and propose agreements and accords between federal, state, and local agencies and the several tribal governments, and, pursuant to chapter 54-40.2, to assist in monitoring and negotiating agreements and accords when asked by an affected tribe.

Agency Performance Measures

The performance of the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission is premised upon the goals\pillars of the Governor and those priority issues articulated by tribal leaders. The efficacy of the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission Offices' efforts and its projects are conducted through monthly correspondence with the Governor's staff-liaison designee, as well as summative reviews as reported to the Governor in cabinet reports and ND tribal leaders through quarterly Commission meetings. Most of the Commission staff work is based on either legislation, statutorily mandated involvement (representation on the Tribal-State Relations Interim legislative Committee for example), state regulatory requirements, or legislation, e.g. Preparation for First Nations Day, specific requests made in Commission meetings; or issues arising out of State Agency or tribal requests.

In 2006, the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission engaged in a Strategic Planning Process. The goals and objectives are in the developmental stages, and will be subject to change and dependent upon the approval by the Commission. Based on the North Dakota Indian Affairs Commissions' overall Strategic Plan the proposed 2009 – 2011 performance measures are as follows.

Major Accomplishments

1. Established and completed the 2010 North Dakota Indian Youth Leadership Academy. Forty high school students from across North Dakota participated in a five-day leadership camp. During the camp, nationally known native American speakers came and provided sessions on wellness, spirituality, leadership, career development, values and culture.
2. Reorganized the American Indian Business Development Office with the North Dakota Department of Commerce. Completed inventory of all native American owned businesses in North Dakota.

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3. Continued to create partnerships and memorandums of agreements and understanding between tribal entities and non tribal entities.
4. Continued building and fostering working relations between state government agencies and tribal agencies.
5. Updated the Resource Information Guide (formerly called the Indian Affairs Directory) which became available in the fall of 2009. The NDIAC Resource Information Guide can be viewed at: <http://www.nd.gov/indianaffairs/?id=44>.

Future Critical Issues

American Indians within the state are the only-naturally growing segment of the population. This growth is having an increased impact on schools and human services in North Dakota. A state-embraced and formalized structure to address these increasingly complex issues is imperative to the future of North Dakota. While the issues confronting state-tribe relations are increasingly more complex, the ability for the NDIAC to singularly respond to these issues is increasingly more challenging. Until the authorization of one FTE – (American Indian Education Program Administrator) the staffing of the Commission office has remained unchanged since its inception. The small NDIA Commission staff is inadequate compared to other agencies having similar functions and responsibilities. The Commission staff, at times, is limited in its capacity to address issues beyond basic information sharing, networking and coordination functions. From an administrative leadership standpoint, the ability to provide focused and sustained support is challenging but is being performed at a much higher level than in previous years. The Executive Director spends 85% of his time in meetings with committees, boards and on travel throughout North Dakota.

REQUEST SUMMARY

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Biennium: 2011-2013

Description	Expenditures 2007-2009 Biennium	Present Budget 2009-2011	Budget Request Change	Requested Budget 2011-2013 Biennium	Optional Budget Request
By Major Program					
Indian Affairs Administration	541,899	702,585	(6,646)	695,939	(878)
Total Major Program	541,899	702,585	(6,646)	695,939	(878)
By Line Item					
Salaries and Wages	460,736	558,080	11,354	569,434	0
Operating Expenses	81,163	126,505	0	126,505	(878)
Federal Stimulus Funds-2009	0	18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Total Line Items	541,899	702,585	(6,646)	695,939	(878)
By Funding Source					
General Fund	541,899	684,585	11,354	695,939	(878)
Federal Funds		18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Special Funds					
Total Funding Source	541,899	702,585	(6,646)	695,939	(878)
Total FTE	4.00	4.00	0.00	4.00	0.00

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Salaries and Wages					
Salaries - Permanent	335,689	399,520	11,354	410,874	0
Temporary Salaries	7,704	7,200	0	7,200	0
Fringe Benefits	117,343	151,360	0	151,360	0
Total	460,736	558,080	11,354	569,434	0
Salaries and Wages					
General Fund	460,736	558,080	11,354	569,434	0
Federal Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Total	460,736	558,080	11,354	569,434	0
Operating Expenses					
Travel	23,968	25,000	0	25,000	(3,000)
Supplies - IT Software	1,577	3,000	0	3,000	0
Supply/Material-Professional	527	2,000	0	2,000	0
Food and Clothing	0	5,000	0	5,000	10,000
Bldg, Ground, Maintenance	256	500	0	500	0
Miscellaneous Supplies	229	3,000	0	3,000	0
Office Supplies	4,423	5,000	0	5,000	0
Postage	278	1,000	0	1,000	0
Printing	1,665	5,000	0	5,000	(878)
IT Equip Under \$5,000	6,247	8,000	0	8,000	(3,000)
Other Equip Under \$5,000	0	2,000	0	2,000	0
Office Equip & Furn Supplies	15,030	5,000	0	5,000	0
Insurance	1,040	2,000	0	2,000	0
Rentals/Leases - Bldg/Land	250	5,000	0	5,000	8,000
IT - Data Processing	5,440	6,610	0	6,610	0
IT - Communications	9,863	12,895	0	12,895	0
IT Contractual Svcs and Rprs	1,640	3,000	0	3,000	(1,000)
Professional Development	5,175	10,000	0	10,000	(5,000)
Operating Fees and Services	857	5,000	0	5,000	(1,000)
Fees - Professional Services	2,698	17,500	0	17,500	(5,000)
Total	81,163	126,505	0	126,505	(878)
Operating Expenses					
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Federal Stimulus Funds-2009					
Grants, Benefits & Claims	0	18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Total	0	18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Federal Stimulus Funds-2009					
General Fund	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	0	18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Special Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Funding Sources					
General Fund	541,899	684,585	11,354	695,939	(878)
Federal Funds		18,000	(18,000)	0	0
Special Funds	0	0	0	0	0
Total Funding Sources	541,899	702,585	(6,646)	695,939	(878)

CHANGE PACKAGE SUMMARY

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Description	Priority	FTE	General Fund	Federal Funds	Special Funds	Total Funds
<u>Base Budget Changes</u>						
One Time Budget Changes						
A-E 1 Remove \$18,000 in ARRA funds appropriated for Tr		0.00	0	(18,000)	0	(18,000)
Total One Time Budget Changes		0.00	0	(18,000)	0	(18,000)
Ongoing Budget Changes						
Base Payroll Change		0.00	11,354	0	0	11,354
Total Ongoing Budget Changes		0.00	11,354	0	0	11,354
Total Base Budget Changes		0.00	11,354	(18,000)	0	(6,646)
<u>Optional Budget Changes</u>						
Ongoing Optional Changes						
A-C 1 Increase funding for ND Indian Youth Leadership	2	0.00	20,000	0	0	20,000
Total Ongoing Optional Changes		0.00	20,000	0	0	20,000
Total Optional Budget Changes		0.00	20,000	0	0	20,000
<u>Optional Savings Changes</u>						
A-G 1 2011-13 3% optional savings package for ND India	1	0.00	(20,878)	0	0	(20,878)
Total Optional Savings Changes		0.00	(20,878)	0	0	(20,878)

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Change Group: A	Change Type: C	Change No: 1	Priority: 2
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Increase funding for ND Indian Youth Leadership Academy

The NDIAC is requesting an increase of \$20000 (to have a total of \$60000) to fund the ND Indian Youth Leadership Academy during the 2112 and 2113 years.

After successfully completing the first event, we spent approximately \$25,000 with 40 students participating. We would like to have more students participate in the future events. We believe that \$60,000 would support that goal.

Change Group: A	Change Type: E	Change No: 1	Priority: 1
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Remove \$18,000 in ARRA funds appropriated for Tribal Language preserva

We are not requesting the \$18000 in ARRA funds that were awarded to our agency for the 2011-13 biennium. It is most likely that these funds will be awarded out by the end of the 2009-11 biennium.

Change Group: A	Change Type: G	Change No: 1	Priority: 1
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2011-13 3% optional savings package for ND Indian Affairs Commission

Each agency is asked to submit a 2011-13 3% optional savings package. We decided to find those savings in our operating expenses rather than cut salaries for our FTE.

Change Group: R	Change Type: A	Change No: 1	Priority: 1
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Youth Academy

Provides \$20,000 additional funding for a total of \$60,000 for the ND Indian Youth Leadership Academy to conduct a one-week school each year. Funding will enable more students to participate in the Academy.

Change Group: R	Change Type: A	Change No: 2	Priority:
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Suicide Prevention and Education

Provides \$100,000 for suicide prevention and education for American Indian youth.